

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-22 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 20 are amended. Claim 2 is canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the Office Action has allowed claims 21 and 22 and indicates that claims 2-16 and 18 contain allowable subject matter.

The Office Action objects to claim 20 asserting that the phrase "the first wiring and the second wiring line" lacks antecedent basis. To obviate this objection, claim 20 is amended to recite "a first wiring line and a second wiring line." Thus, Applicants respectfully requests that the objection to claim 20 be withdrawn.

The Office Action rejects claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Tsuji (U.S. Patent No. 6,618,317); and rejects claim 17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsuji in view of Deak (U.S. Patent No. 6,885,576); and rejects claims 19 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsuji in view of Schwarzl (U.S. Patent No. 6,574,138). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of claim 1 is moot because claim 1 is amended with the allowable subject matter of claim 2, placing this application in condition for allowance. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1 and 3-22 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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